

MAY 2020 LOCO NEWS

WATCH YOUR EMAIL
FOR
ANNOUNCEMENTS
ABOUT FUTURE
MEETINGS, EVENTS
AND DEMOS.



May Guild Meeting Cancelled BUT LOOK IN HERE AT WHAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN DOING!!!!!!!!!!!!

May, 2020

President Perspective,

Six (seven? eight?) weeks of social distancing and staying home can be exhausting. Disappointing cancellations like my nephew's wedding and workshops, but new challenges like, finding ways to exercise and visit with people, keep me going. I am so proud of myself that I am designing and weaving Huck Lace. I am creating new earrings and strengthening my injured shoulder using YouTube videos. I am still leaving the cooking to my husband, although my family has requested my beef barley soup.

Our May meeting has been cancelled. So, those of you who need to pass along our LOCO challenge will have to find a way to do so. Please make sure you contact a few members to see how they are doing and to encourage them to keep up with their hobbies. Our FAVA exhibit has been cancelled and I will be contacting participating members after May 1st as to how you can pick up your items.

Thank you Gina for keeping us informed and for putting together a great virtual show and tell.

Take care,
With love,
Barb

VIRTUAL SHOW AND TELL



Cheryl and Hubby staying safe.



8"x10" Mirrix vertical Tapestry Loom
Therney Lea is the name of the farm/
weaving shop my great, great, great,
great grandfather had near
Manchester England (remember the
blanket I brought in to show
everyone?) - Ann D.



"Weave on" (5/5"x6.25") - Ann D.



Texas Bluebonnets from
Handwoven
March/April 2019 - Jean C.



Linen towels and strips of old
jeans woven together. - Sara



Masks for friends and family, and of course,
beading! - Irena



Hand spun - garter stitch shawl - Vicky

Spun dog hair from collies belonging to friends who dropped the wool off on our doorstep during this social distancing. The top ball is 26 yards carded with dyed mohair and romney and some brown alpaca. The bottom ball is 34 yards of 100% collie. Never did this before and I will prewash the fiber in plenty of eucalyptus wash next time – carding seems to bring out the “dog” – the raw fiber seemed clean & smelled OK before I started – I was wrong 😊 Still musing what to make for a memento for our friends. - Laura



Huck Lace projects from Rosalie Nielsen workshop, not wash yet, my Swan Tapestry. And the one on the loom. I took half of the warp chains that I dyed over the years and never did anything with because I never seem to dye enough to make anything with and decided to put them on the loom and make a tablecloth for my picnic tables, 9 yards I should have enough for 3. And I just happen to have 3 picnic tables. - Debbie

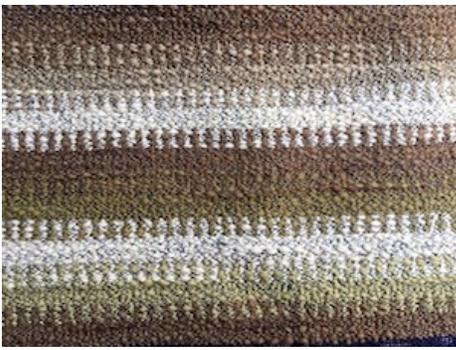
Finished a shawl just the other week. -Barb D.



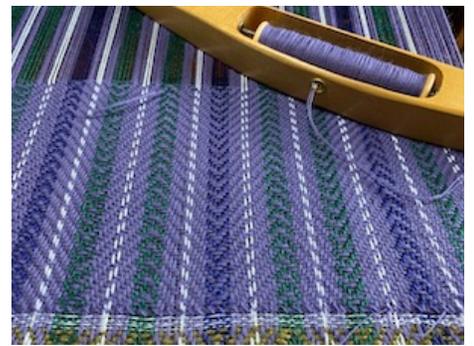
Color studies in plain weave & twill Sirius wanted to be included. - Jean O.



Here is my latest, still needs to dry and a button sewn on. Plan to use this shoulder wrap while demoing spinning. - Missy



I wove these first two using yarn dyed with marigold blossoms, walnut hulls, goldenrod blossoms, and osage orange wood shavings. They look a bit grayer in the photos than in real life.



On her new to her (she reconditioned the hole thing) Baby wolf. Ann H.



The last two are woven using yarn dyed with marigold blossoms, turmeric powder, polk berries, black walnut hulls, goldenrod blossoms, pernambuco, and zinnia blossoms. - Karen



These are the ones I fixed and finished. Not much time on hooks or needles as I have surpassed 150 ppe masks and still working full time every other week. - Lynn



It is my first towel kit, 100% organic cotton done on a rigid heddle loom - Hollie



Cindy



I wove 3 tencel scarves hand-dyed by Karen. Finished a tencel/cotton scarf. - Barb E.



A sweater for myself -Ann H.



A scarf that I have woven, and the warp for a blanket I plan to weave from some of the yarns we dyed at Barb's the last couple years. - Jean C.



Finished a 5 x 7 rag rug and two other rag rugs. -Mary



- 1) A bird panel that I put in an attic window setting for our "Attic Window" challenge. It's on the quilting frame and ready to be quilted. The challenge will be hanging in the Quilt Show in October.
- 2) Masks. So far I've made them for family and neighbors. I've experimented with three different patterns.
- 3) This is the finished top to the "Harvest of the Arts" Raffle Quilt for the Wellington Library. 78"x78" I've sent it off to be quilted. - Julie

Such a lonely time right now. I tried to force myself to weave in the beginning of this pandemic and that was not working. Now that we are months into it and I have settled down a little, weaving IS relaxing. Working on an 8/2 baby blanket. Hope everyone is well in this new normal and looking forward to our old normal. - Elaine



I had the same problem, nothing was relaxing. So much info and non-info to sort thru. Readjustments of all sorts. I heard this from many. Guild members would drop by to pick up or trade and too cold outside to talk and couldn't sit inside to chat over tea. Separation now so we can be together later. -Gina



Trying to make up for lost time. now back in the States with a floor loom available, I've been cranking out lots of projects. These three tencel scarves are woven from a Karen Long dyed warp. - Betsy



A daily routine while entering the English classroom: student chooses greeting of fist bump, handshake, high five, hug, mini-heart or traditional Thai wai. -Betsy

(The Peace Corps evacuated Betsy back from Thailand last month.)



And then there is me. Two 9 yd. warps of Tencel, 20epi. A burgundy warp with two different patterns, and a turned monks belt. I am sooo ready to go back to cotton. - Gina

I hope you all enjoyed the “Virtual Show and Tell” as much as I did. Since we rarely see each other’s looms, I especially found seeing looms warped and ready to go inspiring and beautiful. A warped loom, all lined up and radiating with color or pattern or both, has always taken my breathe away, like seeing a plant peeking out of a seed shell in the spring. It all never ceases to amaze me.

Thank you all who participated, and I hope to see more pictures next month. I know those spinning wheels are spinning, and fiber is flying, let’s keep in touch and keep enjoying what we do together and apart. - Gina

LOCO 2020 Mini Challenge

Organize Your Stash - A Before and After Challenge

Inspired to clean your stash? LOCO’s Mini-Challenge this year is an Organize Your Stash personal challenge.

Take a “before” photo of a room, closet, corner of a room or even a drawer. Organize the space and then take an “after” photo. Bring the photo to any guild meeting and the guild will display all the photos.

Need help with photos? Take the photos to a local one hour photo spot (Drug Mart, Walgreens, Walmart are some places that can develop your photos) Or text or email them to Barb Enos and she will develop them for you. (440-934-1976 or benos@oberlin.net)

Maybe YOUR project will inspire someone else to organize their stash. Challenge is ongoing all year!

Have fun!

BEFORE



AFTER



Jean C.’s happy place!

LOCO Spinners and Weavers 2020-2021 Challenge

Chain Reaction Schedule

DATES	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4
February 11, 2020 to May 12, 2020	Gina T.	Barb E.	Nancy Z.	Missy M.
May 12, 2020 to August 11, 2020	Jean O.	Karen L.	Mary E.	Betsy B.
August 11, 2020 to November 10, 2020	Missy M.	Debbie S.	Elaine J.	Sara T.
November 10, 2020 to February 9, 2021	Irena T.	Ann H.	Jean C.	Pat S.
February 9, 2021 to May 11, 2021	Ann D.			

NOTE: When the project is given to you, you will not see the previous project. You will not see the original photo. You should get inspiration from the project you receive. (Example: Team 1: Gina gets inspired from the photo. Gina passes her creation to Jean O. Jean only sees Gina's project and gets inspired from that. Jean O. passes her project on to Missy. Missy only sees Jean's project and gets inspired.....etc. etc.)

Save the project you received. All projects should be brought to the May 11, 2021 Potluck. They will then be on display at Ginko Gallery June, 2021. If you receive a skein of yarn - do not use it. Just get inspired by it and create your own project.

Some of these are already completed and passed on, we have some slots open, let me know if you would like to join in!!!!

To all you guild members and your family that have been out there working this whole time, like the utilities folks, mail people, store workers, and of course the medical staff, taking care of us and keeping things running.....

And thank you to those that didn't work that wanted to, or changed your businesses all around, to keep us all safer, thank you too.



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